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A new bus route for Kasargode taluk

* 2687 *Q.*—Sri M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal under consideration to sanction a new bus route along the Nileshwar-Maloth road in Kasargode taluk, South Kanara; and

(*b*) if so, when?

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN : The question of opening a bus route from Nileshwar to Maloth was considered by the Regional Transport Officer, Mangalore, and dropped because of the bad condition of the road.

Junior Deputy Inspectors of Schools

* 2688 *Q.*—Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Junior Deputy Inspectors are directly recruited or taken from the Education Department; and

(*b*) how many Junior Deputy Inspectors were selected in 1953–54 and how many were taken from (i) aided schools and (ii) Fisheries Education Institutions?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Junior Deputy Inspectors of Schools are recruited by promotion from the Education Department and by transfer from other departments and also by direct recruitment.

(*b*) There was no recruitment or selection of candidates during 1953–54.

Handloom Cess Fund

* 2689 *Q.*—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the amount allotted for the grant of loans to the handloom weavers through co-operative societies in this State out of the Handloom Cess Fund during 1955–56?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : During 1955–56, the Government of India have allotted interest-free loans to the extent of Rs. 63,94,162–8–0 from the Handloom Cess Fund to finance the share capital and working capital of the weavers joining weavers' co-operative societies.

Prizes to weavers for best designs

* 2690. *Q.*—Sri S. R. ARUMUGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state— 12-10 p.m.

(*a*) the number of prizes given to weavers in the State out of the allotment of Rs. 10,000 in the budget for 1954–55 for giving prizes for best designs; and

(*b*) the value of the prizes so given?